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Interviewing officers: DC CAMPBELL, DC DEAN

Other persons present: Ms GORDON-LAWRENCE Legal Rep.

Tape Person Text
Counter Speaking

times DC CAMPBELL

This is the further interview of Mr. Omar AL-BAYOUMI. I'm DC David CAMPBELL and we're in the interview room at Paddington Police Station. The same persons are present. I'll just remind you again that you're still under caution. That is that you do not have to say anything but it may harm your defence if you do not mention when questioned something which you later rely on in court. Anything you do say may be given in evidence. Do you understand the....

AL-BAYOUMI Yes

DC CAMPBELL ... caution, Omar, yes. We were just talking about

AL-MIHDHAR and you said he lives in San Diego at

the (inaudible) mosque but you don't know his first

name. Can you describe this man to me please.

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AL-BAYOUMI I think he's Yemeni and work I think in gas station or,

yeah, gas station.

DC CAMPBELL How old.

AL-BAYOUMI I'm not sure, maybe twenty-four or something, I'm

not sure.

DC DEAN Does he live there permanently.

AL-BAYOUMI Umm?

DC DEAN Does he live there permanently.

AL-BAYOUMI I think when I came to San Diego he was there.

DC DEAN Umm?

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah.

DC DEAN Okay.

AL-BAYOUMI (inaudible) sometimes see him (inaudible) have, you

know, what you call it, dinner at the mosque. In

Ramadan we serve food for people who fast, you

know. He sometimes come along.

DC DEAN That was Hamid AL-MIHDHAR

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah, Hamid AL-MIHDHAR

DC CAMPBELL Okay, have you ever heard of anyone by the name of

Khalid AL-MIHDHAR or Khalid AL-MIHDHAR.

What is it, it just appears to be a difference in spelling

and hyper-nation in the word, we're looking at this

name now.

AL-BAYOUMI Umm

DC CAMPBELL Yeah, because obviously from English to Arabic or

Arabic to English, sometimes it's, it's in different

ways, written down, I'm sure you've probably had it

in your own name.

AL-BAYOUMI Umm hmm

DC CAMPBELL Whenever things have been sent to you and it means

absolutely nothing. Are you with me.

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah.

DC CAMPBELL Yeah, nothing very similar to your real name.

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah.

DC CAMPBELL So again we're trying to be very clear here. Do you

know anyone apart from the, the guy that you already

mentioned from Yemen, Mr. AL-MIHDHAR.

AL-BAYOUMI No.

DC CAMPBELL Okay, let's move on then. Sorry?

DC DEAN (inaudible)

DC CAMPBELL Do you know anyone by the name of Khalid

(inaudible)

AL-BAYOUMI Khalid.

DC CAMPBELL Yeah.

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah, Khalid ALYAFF, for example. I gave you his

home to get some sleep. So we are tired as well. So unless there's anything which you would like to ask of us or anything that you think is important that we need to know about it, or if you've thought over the last couple of days about anything which you think may prove your innocence then I shall continue in the morning.

AL-BAYOUMI

Yeah, (inaudible) first of all when they for example, moved to the other apartment okay, and they, you know, finished the, I think contract maybe, the managers, okay. It means that I don't have involvement in, in, in, in, in, in, for example, what you call it.....

DC CAMPBELL

Guarantor

AL-BAYOUMI

The guarantor, okay, and they come back again okay, but I don't know who they're (inaudible) asked, I think (inaudible) ask me (inaudible) I, for example, used the car for the people who live next to me or I, you know what, I remember this, it was night but sometimes I, I, I like to go walking to the mosque and sometimes people give me, for example, ride to the house and sometimes you know, the two cars, my car and my wife car parked in the, for example, the

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mosque and I have to drive one and the other one drive car, you know, I'm not sure exactly if someone, for example, drive my car or you know, or I, I drove it by myself or (inaudible) but he (inaudible) in the mosque, if you go to the mosque you will find one high, high camera (inaudible) for example or something like that. This what I want to make it clear.

DC CAMPBELL Okay, and can I clarify with you that these two men did not live with you for some time at your house.

AL-BAYOUMI No.

DC CAMPBELL At all.

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah

DC CAMPBELL Even for one night.

AL-BAYOUMI Even for one night

DC CAMPBELL Can we go on from there. At the other addresses that we have mentioned, the two previous addresses that you lived at, can we confirm that no one else stayed with you at those addresses.

AL-BAYOUMI No one stay with me, no.

DC CAMPBELL Apart from your wife and children obviously.

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah, my wife and my children, yeah.

DC CAMPBELL Okay, the time by my watch is now 9.52 and if you're happy and if there's no representations from your

solicitor....

Solicitor.

No, not at this stage.

DC CAMPBELL

that there are a number of questions which we will be asking you, it will be, it will be necessary for us to further interview you and I hope that you do appreciate that we are working as hard as we can, as fast as we can to establish your truth or your guilt or innocence in this case. So we're not just sitting away from here doing nothing, we're working extremely hard. Okay, and that is the reason why that we only interview you for a short time, then you don't see us again for a long time and then we interview you again, okay, 'cos every time we do this we have to go and check everything you say.

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AL-BAYOUMI Yeah.

DC CAMPBELL Yeah, so it takes a long time.

AL-BAYOUMI Okay

DC CAMPBELL Okay, so it is difficult and I hope you can appreciate that.

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah, I appreciate it, yeah.

DC CAMPBELL Alright.

AL-BAYOUMI Yeah.